

**ELK TOWNSHIP
COMMITTEE WORK SESSION MINUTES
April 21, 2020**

The work session of the Elk Township Committee was held on the above date in the Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sammons at 7:00PM.

The Open Public Meeting Notice was read.
The Salute to the Flag was recited.

Present were: Mr. Hollywood, Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Poisker, Mr. Rambo, Mayor Sammons, Mr. Considine, CFO, and Mrs. Pine, Township Clerk, Mr. Bitgood, Engineer (via teleconference), Mr. Petroni, Auditor (via teleconference).

Approval of minutes of April 2, 2020 Regular Meeting

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Rambo to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2020 Regular Meeting, motion carried with Mr. Hollywood and Mr. Poisker abstaining

PUBLIC PORTION on Agenda Items only.

Motion by Mr. Hollywood to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Rambo, all were in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Sammons asked if anyone had any questions on agenda items to speak at this time.

No one spoke.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to close the public portion, seconded by Mr. Hollywood, all were in favor, motion carried.

ORDINANCE:

O – 3 – 2020 – Calendar Year 2020 – Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) **PUBLIC HEARING**

Motion by Mr. Poisker, seconded by Mrs. Nicholson to open the public portion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Sammons invited the public to speak if they have any questions concerning the Ordinance.

No one spoke.

Motion by Mr. Hollywood, seconded by Mr. Poisker to close the public portion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Poisker to adopt Ordinance O-3-2020, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

RESOLUTIONS:

R-50-2020 – Authorizing the Reading of the 2020 Municipal Budget of Elk Township by Title Only

Motion by Mr. Rambo, seconded by Mr. Hollywood to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

R-51-2020 – Resolution of Adoption of the 2020 Elk Township Municipal Budget

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Mr. Rambo, seconded by Mrs. Nicholson to open the public portion concerning the 2020 Elk Township Municipal Budget, all were in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Sammons invited the public to speak if they have any questions concerning the 2020 Budget.

No one spoke.

Motion by Mr. Rambo, seconded by Mr. Hollywood to close the public portion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rambo, seconded by Mrs. Nicholson to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

R-52-2020 – Requesting Dedication By Rider for the Outside Employment of Off-Duty Police Officers Trust Fund

Mr. Considine explained there are contractors that pay for police road work. The money collected is used to pay off duty police. This resolution will allow the CFO to open an account for the purpose to pay the officers out of a non-budget account.

Motion by Mr. Rambo, seconded by Mr. Poisker to adopt and approve said Resolution, upon roll call motion carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

There is an issue with parking on the grass at Elephant Swamp Park on the east side of Railroad Avenue. Mrs. Nicholson stated this has been an issue for a while. There is an egress problem if we were to put in a parking lot. There is an ordinance for no parking along CR 538 from Railroad Avenue east on both sides of the road. People are also parking on the grass near the Elephant Swamp park sign. There is plenty of parking at the Recreation Park. Mr. Bitgood mentioned putting up a flashing yellow light, to warn drivers there is pedestrian crossing ahead. There is a concern that a flashing light will give people a false sense of security that is safe to cross. Mr. Bitgood will look at the area and let committee know of the options that may be available. Mrs. Nicholson will look to see if the trail grant can be used for this issue. In the meantime “No Parking” signs will be installed.

Gloucester County Representative, Leona Mather was present via teleconference. Ms. Mather stated her offices are closed to the public. The county is delivering meals to seniors, if there are any seniors that are in need of a meal, please contact the Division of Senior Services 856-384-6900. Ms. Mather announced all senior social events have been canceled until further notice. The office for senior services is open with employees rotating their work schedule.

PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION R-26-2020
THERE IS A TIME LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER PERSON DURING THE PUBLIC PORTION

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion by Mr. Hollywood to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Rambo, all were in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Sammons asked if anyone had any questions or comments or an issue they would like to bring to the township committees attention to speak at this time.

No one spoke.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to close the public portion, seconded by Mr. Hollywood, all were in favor, motion carried.

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Mr. Rambo to Pay the Bills, seconded by Mrs. Nicholson, upon roll call motion was carried.

Roll Call:	Mr. Hollywood	Yes
	Mrs. Nicholson	Yes
	Mr. Poisker	Yes
	Mr. Rambo	Yes
	Mayor Sammons	Yes

Motion by Mrs. Nicholson to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Poisker, all were in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debora R. Pine, RMC, CMC
Township Clerk